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Appointment to the posts of Public Prosecutor and Government Pleader of South Kanara district.

* 39 *Q.*—Sri V. BALAKRISHNAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Law be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether a written order was issued against filling up the posts of Public Prosecutor and Government Pleader of South Kanara until the elections;

(*b*) whether the Government called for applications for the combined post of Public Prosecutor and Government Pleader;

(*c*) whether it is a fact that after receipt of the report from the District Officials and the panel of names for the combined post the then care-taker Ministry bifurcated the post;

(*d*) the date of announcement of the bifurication of the posts and appointment to the posts;

(*e*) whether it is a fact that the Public Prosecutor appointed was not recommended by the District Authorities and that bifurcation was made to employ the present incumbent; and

(*f*) whether the present incumbent (Public Prosecutor) is a relative of Sri Sreenivasa Mallayya—the General Secretary of the Congress and a retired High Court Judge?

The Hon. Sri K. P. KUTTIKRISHNAN NAIR:—" (*a*) The answer is in the negative.

" (*b*) In the case of appointments to the posts of Law Officers of the Government in the mufassal, it is the Collector who invites applications for the posts. The Government do not call for applications. In this case the Collector, South Kanara, published a notification calling for applications for filling up the combined post of Government Pleader and Public Prosecutor.

" (*c*) The then Ministry accepted the agreed recommendation of the District and Sessions Judge and the Collector, South Kanara, that the combined post of Government Pleader and Public Prosecutor in the district should be separated.

" (*d*) Orders separating the post of Government Pleader and Public Prosecutor in South Kanara district were issued on 19th March 1952. The separation took effect from 1st April 1952, on which date Sri B. Gangadhar Das who was appointed as Government Pleader took charge of the appointment.

" (*e*) The answer is in the negative.

" (*f*) The Government have no information."

Sri V. BALAKRISHNAN:—" Did the Government announce to the public the proposed bifurcation of the posts before applications for the bifurcated posts were called for? "

The Hon. Sri K. P. KUTTIKRISHNAN NAIR:—" All necessary steps have been taken in this matter, Sir."

SRI V. BALAKRISHNAN :—" May I know whether the 'necessary steps' include the publication of the information about the bifurcation of the posts to the public ? "

THE HON. SRI K. P. KUTTIKRISHNAN NAIR :—" It is not usually published in the papers, Sir."

DR. K. B. MENON :—" The Hon. Minister in reply to clause (*f*) of the main question said that the Government had no information. Why did not the Government try to find out and collect the information ? "

THE HON. SRI K. P. KUTTIKRISHNAN NAIR :—" If a candidate is good, it is immaterial whether he is the relative of 'X', 'Y' or 'Z.' "

SRI T. LAKSHMINARAYANA REDDI :—" ఈ Public Prosecutors ను నియమించే విషయంలో, ఆంధ్ర గారును గవర్నమెంటుపార్టీకి చెందినటువంటి వారిని, గవర్నమెంటువారికి కావలసినవారిని, పలుకుబడి వున్నవారినే Public Prosecutors గా నియమిస్తున్నారు. ఈ అన్యాయము, పక్షపాతము తొలగవలెనంటే, వీరిని ఒక జిల్లా నుండి ఇంకొక జిల్లాకు transfer చేస్తూ, ఆయా జిల్లాలకు ఇతర జిల్లాలవారిని నియమించుట న్యాయము. కనుక ప్రభుత్వము ఆ విధంగా పార్టీ పక్షపాతము లేకుండా, ఒక జిల్లావారిని ఇంకొక జిల్లాను నియమించుటకు ప్రయత్నము చేస్తుందా? "

THE HON. SRI K. P. KUTTIKRISHNAN NAIR :—" A separate question may be given notice of."

SRI G. RAMA RAO :—" Public Prosecutors యొక్క recruitment సందర్భంలో హరిజనుల కేవిధమైన reservation ఉన్నదా? ఉన్నట్లయితే, హరిజనులు ఎంతమంది పనిచేస్తున్నారు ? "

THE HON. SRI K. P. KUTTIKRISHNAN NAIR :—" A separate question may be given notice of."

Taking over of the Palghat Electric Supply Corporation by the Government.

*40 *Q.*—SRI R. KRISHNAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether a resolution from the Palghat Municipal Council (Malabar) No. 312, dated 19th August 1952, requesting the Government to take over the Palghat Electric Supply Corporation or allow the Palghat Municipality to take over the same was received ; and

(*b*) if so, what action has been taken by the Government ?

THE HON. SRI N. RANGA REDDI :—" (*a*) Yes.

" (*b*) The municipality has been informed that the Government have no intention of acquiring the electrical undertaking of the Palghat Electric Supply Corporation at present. The question of allowing the municipality itself to acquire the undertaking would arise, if at all, only sometime in 1960."